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~~18~~ re Application of:

Serial No. 09/824,779

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IDENTIFICATION TECHNIQUE

Art Unit: 2877

Examiner: Nguyen, Tu T.

Atty Docket: 3650-010US

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace page 1, line 10, with the following: "commonly assigned application Ser. No. 09/824,798, filed"

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4, 6-10 and 12-18 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Ghera et al (2002/118442). Applicant